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Spoke to Charlie Henry this afternoon about the situation at Bayou Corne. We went through the pros and cons (mostly cons) of different options for the approximately 5 bbls of oil in the water. Charlie's take is that diesel is not a very persistent oil with no heavy asphalts and while initially toxic, will eventually degrade naturally. Dispersants would only magnify the toxicity and disperse the diesel into the water column making it more available to fish etc. Additionally most dispersants are for salt water environments rather than fresh water. Bioremediation is not a viable option and the water is already nutrient rich. In the current situation and with the relatively small amount of material, natural degradation appears to be the most viable option.

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